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COUNTY NEWS.

Items of Interest from the Different Sections.

Burke's Garden.
Burke's Garden, Va., April 16.—Mrs. Thornton Walker, who has been sick for several weeks, now has the pneumonia and is very low.

The fastest snowfall of the winter was here Sunday, when it measured four and a quarter inches.

Rev. J. H. Wyse preached to a small congregation at the Central church Sunday, owing to the inclemency of the weather, and also at the Glade Sunday evening.

E. L. Greener, of Tazewell, spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks. Farmers are behind with their work in consequence of wet weather. They are expecting some nice weather along in June or July.

Messrs Simon Kelly, Pharis Thompson, J. B. Meek, J. N. Rhudy and J. P. Gose attended court Tuesday.

L. D. Snapp has disappeared from the Garden, but his return is expected soon. It is reported that he has gone to Giles to employ a Miller.

Bailey Items.

Bailey, Va., April 15.—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Deaton, of Graham, were summoned on yesterday to the bed side of their sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Thomason, who is not expected to live.

Miss Lena Buffalo and Mollie Crockett, of Graham, were guests of Misses Ella and Gray Wagner Saturday and Sunday. Our boys say "come again, young ladies."

Charlie Carter, of Keystone, and his two daughters, are visiting his father, Mr. Daniel Carter, near Teal Branch.

J. M. Burns, Inspector for the Rumberger Lumber Co., was here last week taking up Deaton and Wagner's lumber.

Messrs C. E. and J. E. Wagner, who are engaged in the coal field, spent last Sunday with homefolks.

Mrs. Jane Neel, of Richlands, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. M. Walker, of Springville, returned to her sister, Mrs. A. Houshelt today.

Peck Godbey, of Bluefield, who has been visiting his brother-in-law, John Tickle, of Bluestone, returned to his home this afternoon accompanied by Miss Hallie Tickle.

Miss Sallie Wagner is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. W. Bailey, at Bluestone, this week.

Rev. W. H. Wagner, of Liberty Hill, stopped off with relatives last week on his return from the Baltimore Conference.

Miss Carrie French was the guest of Miss Bessie Houshelt one night last week.

Rev. J. W. Holbrook was seen walking around out of the house today for the first time in a long while. He has stayed indoors all winter suffering with bronchitis.

Miss Bessie Houshelt is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Chas. Gill this week.

Yesterday was preaching day at our church, but the weather was so unpleasant that the preacher himself was the congregation. SUNSHINE.

FELL ON AN AX.

Miss Charles left for her home in St. Louis—Other items.

Mr. Walter Thompson, and wife and Mr. Henry Thompson, took dinner at Mr. C. A. Leeces, Sunday.

Mr. C. W. Matthews of Graham is visiting friends and relatives at this place this week, and attending court.

Little Charles Kinder, son of Mr. George Kinder, fell on an axe last Saturday and inflicted a severe if not a serious wound in his hip. The gash was about four inches long. Dr. Crockett dressed the wound. He had to take six stitches. The boy is reported to be doing very well.

Mr. R. H. Matthews of this place is moving his family to Graham, this week, where they will make their future home. Mr. Matthews is going to do carpenter work for the Railroad Co.

Mr. H. T. Buchanan, after a long withdrawal has again joined the famous Tazewell horse jockeying club. He brought in a new one court

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CHAPMAN'S

SPECIMEN VALUES

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Women's 50c night gowns, V shaped neck, trimmed with clusters of tucks and embroidery ruffle. 34c

Women's 35c drawers, Mansonville muslin, trimmed with hems and tucks. 25c

Women's 98c walking skirts, trimmed with two rows of lace insertion and ruffle, finished with dust ruffle. 63c

Women's 25c corset covers, made of muslin, low neck, French style embroidery trimmed. 15c

Women's 98c Chemise, cambric, round neck, trimmed with lace insertion, heading and ribbon. 63c

Women's fine Lisle thread hose, plain and Richelieu ribbed, all the new Spring colors and designs. 49c

Women's cotton hose in black and the new Spring colors, both in drop stitch and lace effects. 25c

Women's Lisle thread hose with floral designs worked in gold and white. 49c

R. C. CHAPMAN.

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Items From Italy.

Mrs. C. M. Deyerle, who has been sick for some time, is convalescent. I. H. Harry, foreman for S. Walton & Co., is on the sick list.

V. S. Painter, representing The Huff, Andrews & Thomas Company, was in town last Wednesday. He is still single, which is easily accounted for.

All persons having fowls for sale will please call on Lee J. Barbee, Falls Mill. Roosters excepted. Merchant Chas. Hawley received another consignment of goods from Bluefield last Thursday.

H. G. Wilfrey and J. L. Smith are both feeling good, as they were the only ones to get in their full crop of potatoes before the rain.

Stoke Elkins has been laid up with quinsy, but is better at this writing.

We understand that Dr. Albrum, from Horsepen Cove will move to our vicinity soon.

Earl Green arrived here this week from his home in Monroe county. will drive a team for his brother, H. G. Green.

It is reported that the roosters from Italy can win seven times out of ten.

The weather has been decidedly unfavorable for work this week, but with the advent of a sunny day the click of the hammer and chisel is heard on all sides.

G. E. Knox says that if he can keep even with his board bill until the dogwood blooms he will be able to live until next Fall.

Wonder why Charley Presnell has quit buying peanuts and candy?

W. P. Trent is laid up with a lame back, the result of a hard lift at one end of a crowbar.

Cholera among the fowls seems to be an epidemic here. About half have died inside of a week.

Quite an alarm was given at the west end Quarry last Tuesday. A tram car on the incline, with Joe Kirtner as conductor, got beyond control, and with lightning speed, ran, and would have been running yet, had it not collided with an N. & W. car on siding at loading yard. Kirtner dismounted just in time to save himself, but the car is laid up for repairs.

News received from G. R. Allen, at Elliston, Va., who was injured at the Quarry a few weeks ago, reports him doing well. He has recovered with the exception of being cross-eyed.

Dr. Frazier says it was caused by some paresis of the external rectus muscles, with some trometism of internal rectus, and some inflammation of the palpebra and cornea extending from the inner to the outer canthus and extending through the tunics and sclerotic portions of the retina. We did not clearly understand, but anyhow, the boy was hurt.

County Court.

There was a very small crowd here on Tuesday, the smallest for a long time.

Judge Stuart called court at 10 A. M. and a special grand Jury empaneled, which later brought in 10 indictments for felony and 2 for misdemeanors.

The following cases were disposed of: The Commonwealth vs. Jesse Lester assault on J. C. Lowe, \$100.00 fine and costs. Wm. Head for forgery 2 years in the Pen.

Commonwealth vs. H. T. Morris is now in progress. The case against Wiles for cutting Osborne, will be taken up next.

The court has at last landed Wm. Head. He has been convicted for petty crimes no less than a half dozen times, it is said, within the last few years, and spent most of that time in the county jail. He will now change his boarding house and the proprietor of the hotel de Gillespie will miss him.

For Sale or Exchange.

A nice 7-room house and good lot on Tazewell ave.—out buildings—good location. Will sell or exchange for property in Graham. For price and terms apply to Miss Amy Mullins, Graham, Va. or to W. C. Ratliff, Tazewell, Va. 125-3m

General News Items.

Fire destroyed the Pile and Burson blocks, in Bristol last Tuesday—loss \$90,000.

The Cornell and University of Virginia base ball teams crossed bats at the University on Wednesday. The score stood 9 to 2 in favor of Cornell.

Dr. H. W. Goodman, an influential citizen of Washington county died on Tuesday, aged 65.

Alexander Hamilton and Ex-Governor Cameron, have announced their candidacy for the Constitutional Convention.

The Supervisors of Charlotte county have closed the deal with the state for the state test farm. Prof. Heigis, who lectured here a few weeks ago will take charge of the farm.

The city of Roanoke will put in a bid for the Democratic State Convention, which meets this summer. Lynchburg, Richmond and Norfolk all want it.

Governor Beckham, it is stated, will make requisition upon the Governor of Indiana for Ex-Governor Taylor and Finley, fugitives from justice.

Fifteen women and a few men made a raid on four liquor joints in Centerville, Iowa, last Saturday. The furniture was damaged and much liquor and beer destroyed.

A young man named White, from Newburn, Tenn., after being fined two hundred dollars in the city court of Louisville, Ky., for insulting a young lady, was afterwards taken by a mob of angry men, stripped and very severely whipped.

John W. Daniel, Jr., son of Senator Daniel, was married in Washington this week to Miss Bishop, of North Carolina.

On Monday morning, about one o'clock, W. C. Bohanan, of Manchester, was held up, robbed and thrown over the bridge into James River. He was painfully, but not dangerously hurt.

The fund for Mrs. Emma Slaughter in Richmond has reached already nearly \$4,000.

A dispatch states that 80,000 working men are on a strike in Russia. At St. Petersburg and many other places many riots have occurred.

The Royal Arcanum of Virginia is in annual session in Richmond.

The President and his cabinet will pass through Virginia next Monday on an extended tour to the Pacific coast.

"A-Jack-the-Hugger" has made his appearance on the streets of Petersburg. Young ladies are afraid to walk the streets after dark.

J. W. Amos an Ex-Confederate Soldier was found dead in the woods near his home near Montpelier.

Prof. Rowland, a distinguished physicist of John Hopkins University died on Tuesday, aged 53.

A big strike is on at the ship yard at Newport News, owing to a reduction in wages. Between 700 and 800 men are involved.

Senator Jon W. Daniel states in an open letter in the Lynchburg News, that he is opposed to a division of the school fund on racial lines.

The State Senate of Arkansas has passed a bill making it unlawful for anyone to drink liquor as a beverage without first obtaining a license as a dram drinker. The license was fixed at five dollars.

Captain John Griffith, a prominent agent of the N. & W., was shot to death in Columbia, S. C., last Saturday, in the room of Maj. B. B. Evans—Evans was held for murder.

A vessel left New Orleans on April the 13th, for Cape Town, Africa, with 850 horses.

The Best Blood Purifier.

The Blood is constantly being purified by the lungs, liver and kidneys. Keep these organs in a healthy condition and the bowels regular and you will have no need of a blood purifier. For this purpose there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, one dose of them will do more good than a dollar bottle of blood purifier. Price 25 cents. Sample bottle free at Jackson's Drug Store.

TO A FINISH.

Boers Would Rather Die Than Surrender.

New York, April 16.—Montagu White who was consul general for the Transvaal in London, is in this city. When interviewed today he was non-committal regarding his object in coming to this country. He said he intended visiting the leading cities here and obtaining the view of prominent Boer sympathizers regarding the present situation but he denied his visit was for the purpose of consulting Secretary Hay in the matter of the proposed visit of President Kruger to this country.

"Do you think President Kruger will visit America?" was asked.

"I think he is too feeble to attempt any such thing."

"Do the Boers ask for absolute liberty as a stipulation for peace?"

"That is too strong a phrase." Mr. White answered. "We heard something ago that General Kitchener demanded unconditional surrender and Botha demanded absolute liberty, but those terms are too extreme. I can only say that the Boers would rather die fighting than give unconditional surrender. I am quite unable to say what the terms should be. That must be and can only be settled between General Kitchener on the one hand and on the other by President Steyn and Generals Botha and Dewet."

G. O. Thompson Dead.

Mr. G. O. Thompson died at his home in Thompson Valley last Friday afternoon, and was buried on Monday morning in the family burial ground near his home. The funeral service was conducted at his residence by Rev. Mr. Mowbray, in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives. He was in his 62nd year, and leaves, besides his wife, three daughters and one son, a sister, Mrs. M. J. Tout, and a brother, Archer Thompson, both living in Missouri, to mourn their great loss.

It is the universal testimony that G. O. Thompson was one of the very best men that ever lived in Tazewell. His love of truth, his simple pure faith, his light heartedness, his charitable deeds were all conspicuous in his everyday life. His ample means afforded the ability, when opportunity afforded, to give with an unsparring hand. His native modesty and timidity kept him from being seen often in public, or becoming prominent in the affairs of his county, but in the circle—religious and social—in which he moved, he was always prominent, and urged to the front. If Mr. Thompson had aspired to public office, he would have more than once been chosen to lead his people. He was, a few years ago, unanimously nominated to represent his county in the Legislature, but declined the honor.

His chiefest delight was found in the quiet precincts of his home life, where, as a kind indulgent father and husband, his real worth was appreciated, and in the church, in which he held the honored office of Ruling Elder. Here he was seen at his best. The fierce light which gleams upon the hearthstone—none the less fiercer than that which beats and blazes upon the thrones of Emperors—served to reveal the brighter beauty of his character. Weak in body he always was, but strong in the christian virtues. Small and unimposing in frame and stature, but Goliath-like in the nobler manhood—one of God's true noblemen, and in the gallery of jewels in the Throne Room of the Skies are we not justified in thinking that a character which shone with such quiet, steady brilliancy here will shine there with an increased effulgence?

The Revival Closed.

The great revival in the Methodist church closed last Sunday night, after a successful course of four weeks. Mr. French, the pastor, had charge of the meeting, and did nearly all of the preaching, and of course, did it well. There were something like 100 professions of conversions, and the church was quickened into new life, and the cause of religion will take on new life in the town and community.

M. T. Berry was sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary, from Gate City, last week, for the murder of Mitchell Sanders. Berry is sixty years old.

PISTOLS AT SHORT RANGE

Ebb Witten Shot at Grundy by Thos. Beavers.

Mr. Ebb Witten, son of R. B. Witten of Tazewell and Deputy United States Marshall, of Buchanan county, was shot and probably mortally wounded at Grundy last Monday afternoon by Thos. Beavers, son of Judge Alex Beavers of that town. Particulars are meager. From reports received here it appears that an old feud existed between the parties, growing out of politics, and they met on Monday afternoon when the old trouble was brought up. Both men pulled their guns and began firing about the same time. Witten was shot three times, once through the left lung, once in shoulder, and once in abdomen. Beavers was also hit but owing to the ball striking a book in his left vest pocket, he was not seriously hurt. Witten is well known in Tazewell, where his father and family and a large number of relatives live. The affair has caused great excitement here, and at Grundy, where the parties are also well known, and is deeply regretted.

LATER—A late message from Grundy reports Witten as doing well and the chances of his recovery more favorable. He was not shot as badly as was first supposed. The bullet in the abdomen only grazed the skin.

Former Tazewell Citizen in Tennessee.

We are in receipt of the following from Mr. W. T. Hudson, who is well known in Tazewell. His friends will be glad to hear from him: Rubyville, P. O., Shelby Co., Tenn. April 10, 1901.

J. A. Leslie, Esq., Tazewell, Va. Dear Sir:—Please change the address of my paper from the address of No. 33 N. 2nd street, Memphis, Tenn., to Rubyville P. O., Shelby Co., Tenn., and oblige.

Times are very good here at the present. Seems to be lots of money in circulation. Am very busy at the present and when I have leisure will try and write you something about this country. This place is only a suburb of Memphis. The coming National Confederate Reunion at this place May 20th will be an event of note, thousands of dollars are being spent to make it a success—will let you hear from me at a later date. Hope you are having success with your paper which has always been the best in Tazewell. Best wishes for the future.

Resp. Yours,
W. T. HUDSON.

Stumbling and Cussing in the Dark

Last Sunday night was as dark as night generally gets. The electric lights were a little out of gear, and Mechanics Avenue and a part of the street leading towards the depot, was entirely without light. There was a large crowd of people passing along the street after the close of church service. The first thing to do was to fall over a pile of lumber lying partly on the sidewalk at the Coffee House, which a number of people proceeded to do, as gracefully and piously as the exigencies and circumstances would permit. The fact that the tumbler and trippers were just from church modified, no doubt, the explosives used on this occasion. The mud next came in for its share of abuse, and was knocked clear out of the way. The tug came when the crowd reached lower Mechanics Avenue, with its variegated, Dolly Varden, honeycombed, hobnailed, kindlingwood-supplementing, Council killing sidewalk. How many people fell—the number of ankles sprained, spinal columns jammed into the backs of necks, good old fashioned cuss words, (unuttered and expressed), the blessings, in different shapes, heaped upon the town councils—present, past and future—the threats made &c. &c., will never be known during the present generation. The only compensating circumstance was found in the fact that the darkness prevented any one from seeing you cuss. It is earnestly hoped that the electric light plant will not slip a cog again on such a night until underfoot conditions are improved in this town.

Free School Examination.

Examination for white teachers will be held in the High School Building at Tazewell, May 28th, and 29th. For colored teachers in the Colored School Building, May 30th, and 31st.

1st, and 2nd, grade teachers who attend the full term of the State Normal at Marion will have their certificates extended for one year. Professional examinations will be held about September 1st.

P. H. WILLIAMS,
Superintendent.